or investigation. When an audit or investigation is underway, records shall be maintained until the recordholder is released by written notice of the obligation to maintain records.

(c) Access to records. The Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management shall have access to all records in the possession of the lossee, operator, revenue payor, or other person pertaining to compliance with royalty obligations under Federal geothermal leases (regardless of whether such records were generated more than 6 years before a request or order to produce them and they otherwise were not disposed of), including, but not limited to:

(1) Qualities and quantities of all products extracted, processed, sold, delivered, or used by the operator/lessee:

(2) Prices received for products, prices paid for like or similar products, and internal transfer prices; and

(3) Costs of extraction, power generation, electrical transmission, and byproduct transportation.

id) Inspection of Records. The lessee, operator, revenue payor, or other person required to keep records shall be responsible for making the records available for inspection. Records shall be made available at a business location of the lessee, operator, revenue payor, or other person during normal business hours upon the request of any officer, employee, or other party authorized by the Secretary. Lessees, operators, revenue payors, and other persons will be given a reasonable period of time to produce records.

[56 FR 57286, Nov. 8, 199], as amended at 67 FE 19114, Apr. 18, 2002]

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Source: 51 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986, unless otherwise noted.

## Subpart A—General Provisions

#### §216.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to ensure that the Federal Government receives proper information regarding energy and mineral resources removed from Federal and Indian leases and federally approved agreements, including the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS).

## § 216.2 Scope.

This part governs the reporting of oil or gas operations information on Rederal and Indian leases or federally approved agreements including leases or agreements on the OCS. This part also governs the reporting of other operational information associated with production from Federal and Indian leases or federally-approved agreements when such operations occur prior to the point of sale or royalty determination, whichever is applicable. Reporters are required to submit sertain production reports to MMS as set forth in this part.

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[58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1993, as amended at 66 FR 45773, Aug. 30, 20011

#### §216.6 Definitions.

For purposes of this part:

Agreement means a binding arrangement between two or more parties purporting to the act of agreeing or of coming to a mutual arrangement that is accepted by all parties to a transaction (e.g., communitizations, unitization, gas storage, or compensatory royally agreements.)

Alaska Native Corporation means a corporation created pursuant to the provisions of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.).

Associate Director means the Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management of the MMS.

Facility means a structure(s) used to store or process Federal or Indian mineral production prior to or at the point of royalty determination.

Federal lease means a lease concerning minerals owned by the Urited States and includes a lease where an Alaska Native Corporation receives all or part of the royalties accruing from that lease, and the MMS has not waived administration of that lease.

First purchaser means any entity receiving the lease production in a first transfer for value transaction.

Gas means any fluid, either combustible or noncombustible, which is extracted from a reservoir and which has neither independent shape nor volume, but tends to expand indefinitely; a substance that exists in a gaseous or rarefied state under standard temperature and pressure conditions.

Indian lease means a base concerning lands or interest in lands of an Indian Tribe or an indian allottee, his heirs or devisees, held in trust by the United States or which is subject to Federal restriction against alienation, including mineral resources and mineral estates reserved to an Indian Tribe or an Indian allottee, his heirs or devisees thereto in the conveyance of a surface or non-mineral estate, except that such term does not include any lands subject to the previsions of section 3 of the Act of June 23, 1906 (34 Stat. 539).

Lease means any contract, profitshare arrangement, joint venture, permit, or other agreement issued or approved by the United States under a numeral leasing law that authorizes exploration for, extraction of, or removal of oil or gas—or the land area covered by that authorization, whichever is covered by the context.

Lessee means any person to whom the United States, an Indian Tribe, or an Indian allottee, issues a lease, or any person who has been assigned an obligation to make royalty or other payments required by the lease.

Measurement device means a mechanical or electrical device that is used to measure production of oil or gas for sales, transfers, and/or royalty determination.

Mineral leasing law means any Federal law administered by the Secretary authorizing the disposition under lease of oil or gas.

Oil means any fluid hydrocarbon substance other than gas which is extracted in a fluid state from a reservoir and which exists in a fluid state under the existing temperature and pressure conditions of the reservoir. Oil includes liquefiable hydrocarbon substances such as drip gasoline or other natural condensates recovered in a liquid state from gas.

Operator means any person, including a lessee who has control of, or who manages operations on any oil and gas lease site on Federal (including the OCS) or Indian lands, "Operator" also means any entity engaged in the business of developing, drilling for, producing, transporting, purchasing, selling, or processing oil or gas and/or

which has the responsibility of reporting production from a lease or a portion thereof.

Cuter Continental Shelf (OCS) has the same meaning as provided in section 2 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, 43 U.S.C. 1331.

lerson means any individual firm, corporation, association, partnership, consortium or joint venture.

Raw make means natural gas liquids (NGL's) that are extracted from the weigas stream at a gas plant (e.g., cthane through natural gasoline) which sometimes is transferred to a fractionation plant for further processing.

Reporter means any reporting entity required to submit a production report or form to the MMS.

Scaretary means the Secretary of the Interior or his/her designee.

151 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986, as amended at 58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1993; 66 FR 45773, Aug. 30, 2001; 67 FR 19114, Apr. 18, 2002]

#### §216.10 Information collection.

The information collection requirements contained in this part have been approved by OMB under 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq. The forms, filing date, and approved OMB clearance numbers are identified in 30 CFR 210.10.

157 FR 41867, Sept. 14, 19921

#### § 216.11 Electronic reporting.

You must submit your Oil and Gas Operations Report. Form MMS 4054, in accordance with electronic reporting requirements in 30 CFR part 210.

161 FR 38123, July 15, 19991

#### § 216.15 Reporting instructions.

(a) Specific guidance on how to prepare and submit required information collection reports and forms to MMS is contained in the production reporter handbook. The production reporter handbook is available from the Minerals Management Service. Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 17110, Denver, Colorado 80217-0110.

(b) Production reporters should refer to the handbook for specific guidance with respect to production reporting requirements. If additional information is required, the reporter should contact the MMS at the above address.

The telephone number is listed in the handbook.

53 FR 16112, May 9, 1988, as amended at 57 FR 41867, Sept. 14, 1992-58 FR 61903, Dec. 10, 1993; 67 FR 19111, Apr. 48, 2001)

#### \$216.16 Where to report.

(a) All reporting forms listed in this part that are mailed or sent by U.S. Postal Service express mail should be mailed to the Minerals Management Service. Minerals Revenue Management, P.O. Box 17110, Denver, Colorado 30217-0110.

(b) Reports delivered to MMS by special couriers or overnight mail, except U.S. Postal Service express mail, shall be addressed as follows: Minerals Management Service, Minerals Revenue Management, Building 85, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

(c) A report is considered received when it is delivered to MMS at the addresses specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, Reports received at the MMS addresses specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section after 4 p.m. meuntain time are considered received the following business day.

[56 FR 20127, May 2, 191], as amended at 57 FR 41867, Sept. 44, 1992; 58 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993; 67 FR [9111, Apr. 18, 2002]

#### § 216.20 Applicability.

The requirements of this part shall apply to all oil and gas operators reporting information on Federal and Indian leases or federally-approved agreements, including leases or agreements on the OCS.

58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1994, as arrended at 65 FR 45773, Aug. 30, 2001]

## § 216.21 General obligations of the reporter.

The reporter shall submit accurately, completely and timely, pursuant to the requirements of this part, all information forms and other information required by MMS. Specific guidance on the use of the required forms is contained in the production reporter handbook. Copies of the handbook are available from the MMS.

[51] FR 817b, Mar. 7, 1986, as amended at 87 FR 19111, Apr. 48, 2002)

#### § 216.25 Confidentiality.

(a) Information obtained by MMS pursuant to the rules of this part shall be open for public inspection and conving during regular office hours upon a written request, pursuant to rules at 43 CFR part 2, except that:

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, information obtained from a reporter under this part relating to a minerals agreement approved pursuant to the Indian Mineral Development Act of 1982, 25 U.S.C. 2101 et seq., the Tribal Leasing Act of 1933 (25 U.S.C. 396a et seq.), or the Allottec Indian Mineral Development Act of 1909 (25 U.S.C. 396), shall not be released without the written consent of the Indian Tribe(s) or individual Indian(s) who are parties to the mineral agreement.

(2) Information obtained from a reporter pursuant to this part that constitutes a trade secret and/or commercial or financial information which is privileged or confidential, or other information that may be withheld under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552(b)), such as geologic and geophysical data concerning wells, shall be available for public inspection in accordance with 43 CFR part 2. When such information is related to Indian lands, consent to release the information must also be obtained from the cognizant Tribe or allottee.

(b) If any geologic and/or geophysical data is submitted under this part, these shall be made available to the public only in accordance with the provisions of 30 CFR 250.3, 250.4 and 252.7, if these relate to an offshore lease, and in accordance with 43 CFR 3162.8 if these relate to an onshore Federal or Indian lease.

### § 216.30 Special forms and reports.

When special forms or reports other than those referred to in the regulations in this part are necessary, instructions for the filing of such forms or reports will be provided by the Associate Director. Such requests will be made in conformity with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act

of 1995, and are expected to involve less than 10 respondents annually.

[51 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986, as amended at 67 FR 19112, Apr. 18, 2002]

#### §216.40 Assessments for incorrect or late reports and failure to report.

- (a) An assessment of an amount not to exceed \$10 per day may be charged for each report not received by MMS by the designated due date.
- (b) An assessment of an amount not to exceed \$10 may be charged for each incorrectly completed report.
- (c) For purposes of oil and gas reporting under the PAAS, a report is defined as each line of production information required on the Monthly Report of Operations (Form MMS-3160). Oil and Gas Operations Report (Form MMS-4054), Gas Analysis Report (Form MMS-4055), Gas Plant Operations Report (Form MMS-4056), and Production Allocation Schedule Report (Form MMS-4058).
- (d) The MMS will not make assessments for reporting problems which are beyond the control of the reporter (e.g., reports received late because of bad weather). The reporter shall have the burden of proving that a reporting problem was unavoidable.
- (c) An assessment under this section shall not be shared with a State, Indian tribe, Indian allottee, or Alaska Native Corporation.
- (i) The amount of the assessment to be imposed pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section shall be established periodically by MMS. The assessment amount for each violation will be based on MMS's experience with costs and improper reporting. The MMS will publish a Notice of the assessment amount to be applied in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

[51 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986, as amended at 52 FR 2756, July 22, 1987; 53 FR 19412, May 9, 1988; 58 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993; 59 FR 38905, Aug. 1, 1992; 66 FR 45773, Aug. 30, 2001]

## Subpart B—Oil and Gas, General

#### §216.50 Monthly report of operations.

(a) You must submit a Monthly Report of Operations, Form MMS-3160, if you operate either an onshore Federal or Indian lease or an onshore federally-approved agreement that contains one

or more wells that are not permanently plugged and abandoned. You may submit Form MMS-3160 electronically.

- (b) You must submit a Form MMS 3160 for each well for each calendar month, beginning with the month in which you complete drilling, unless you have only test production from a drilling well or MMS tells you in wrising to do otherwise.
- (c) MMS must receive your completed Form MMS 3160 according to the following table:

If you submit your term	We must receive it by
(1) Electronically	The 25th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting.
(2) Other than electronically	

- (d) You must continue reporting until either:
- (1) BLM approves all wells as permanently plugged or abandoned and you dispose of all inventory; or
- (2) The lease or agreement is terminated.
- (e) You are not required to submit Form MMS-3160 if:
- (!) You are authorized to submit an Oil and Gas Operations Report, Form MMS-4054, instead of a Form MMS-3160 or
- (2) You operate a gas storage agreement. You must report gas storage agreements to the appropriate BLM office.
- (f) Specific and detailed guidance on how to prepare and submit the required production data on the Form MMS-3160 are contained in the MMS PASS Onshore Oil and Gas Reporter Handbook. See § 216.15 of this part.
- (g)(1) Operators already reporting onshore lease production data to MMS in accordance with §216.53 of this part on the effective date of this rule may request to change to the provisions of this section. Any request to change to the requirements of this section must be made by advance written notice to MMS and have MMS approval.
- (2) An operator who reports production data to MMS for offshore leases in accordance with \$216.53 of this part may request to report for its onshore leases in accordance with the requirements of that section. Any such remainder that section is a constant of the requirement of a new facility or measurement device, or 30 days after a change is

quest must be made by advance written notice to MMS and have MMS approval.

- (h)(1) Except where disclosure is required by law, information submitted on Form MMS-3160 that MMS classifies as confidential will be protected as such by both MMS and BLM for the period of 1 year. Operators must petition MMS for each lease or agreement to obtain a confidential classification and to extend the classification period beyond 1 year.
- (2) Except as provided by statute, information submitted on Form MMS 3160 in regard to Federal leases and Indian leases which are part of a unit containing non-Indian leases is not considered to be confidential.
- (3) Except where disclosure is required by law, all information submitted on Form MMS-3160 in tegard to Indian leases, other than those included in paragraph (d)(2) of this section, will be considered to be confidential.
- (4) Except as provided in this subsection, all other information will be released.

[53 FR 16412, May 9, 1988, as amended at 58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1993; 58 FR 64908, Dec. 10, 1993; 64 FR 38123, July 15, 1999]

## §216.51 Facility and Measurement Information Form.

A Facility and Measurement Information Form (Form MMS-4051) must te filed for each facility or measurement device which handles production from any Federal or Indian lease, or federally-approved agreement, through the point of first sale or the point of royalty computation, whichever is later. The completed form must be filed by any operator (reporting production on a Form MMS-4054) of an onshore Facility Measurement Point (FMP) that handles production from any Federal or Indian lease or federally-approved agreement prior to, or at the point of royalty determination, or any operator who acquires an onshore FMP that is currently reporting to the PAAS. The report must be filed no later than 30 days after the establishment of a new facility or measurement

made to an existing facility or measurement device.

[58 FR 45254, Aug. 27, 1993]

#### §216.52 First Purchaser Report.

The First Purchaser Report (Form MMS-4053) must be filed by first purchasers only upon the specific request of MMS

[51 FR 8175, Mar. 7, 1986, Redesignated at 58 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993]

## §216.53 Oil and Gas Operations Report.

- (a) You must file an Oil and Gas Operations Report, Form MMS 4054, if you operate one of the following that contains one or more wells that are not permanently plugged or abandoned:
- (1) An OCS lease or federally-approved agreement; or
- (2) An onshore Federal or Indian lease or federally-approved agreement for which you elected to report on a Form MMS-4054 instead of a Form MMS-3100.
- (b) You must submit a Form MMS 4054 for each well for each calendar month, beginning with the month in which you complete drilling, unless you have only test production from a drilling well or MMS tells you in writing to do otherwise.
- (c) MMS must receive your completed Form MMS-4054 according to the following table:

If you submit your form	We must receive it by
(1) Electionically	The 25th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting.
(2) Other than electron cally	The 15th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting.
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- (d) You must continue reporting until either:
- (1) BLM or MMS approves all wells as permanently plagged or abandoned and you dispose of all inventory; or
- (2) The lease or agreement is terminated.

(64 FR 38124, July 15, 1999)

#### § 216.54 Gas Analysis Report.

When requested by MMS, any operator must file a Gas Analysis Report (GA16) (Form MMS-4055) for each royalty or allocation meter. The form

must contain accurate and detailed gas analysis information. This requirement applies to offshore, onshore, or Indian leases.

- (a) MMS may request a GAR when you sell gas, or transfer gas for processing, before the point of royalty computation.
- (b) When MMS first requests this report, the report is due within 30 days. If MMS requests subsequent reports, they will be due no later than 45 days after the end of the month covered by the report.

[63 FR 26367, May 12, 1998]

#### § 216.55 Gas Plant Operations Report.

- (a) You must submit a Gas Plant Operations Report, Form MMS-456, if you operate either:
- (1) A gas plant that processes gas originating from an OCS lease or federally-approved agreement before the point of final royalty determination; or
- (2) A gas plant that processes gas from an onshore Federal or Indian lease or federally-approved agreement before the point of final royalty determination, and MMS has asked you to submit a Form MMS-4056.
- (b) You must submit a Form MMS-4056 for each calendar month beginning with the month gas processing is initiated.
- (c) MMS must receive your completed Form MMS-4056 according to the following table:

If you submit your Form MMS-4054	We must receive your Form MMS4056 by
(1) Electronically	The 25th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting
(2) Other than electronically .	The 15th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting

- (d) Your report must show 100 percent of the gas.
- (e) You are not required to file a Form MMS-4056 if:
- (1) Your plant has not processed gas that originated from a Federal onshore, OCS, or Indian lease, or federally-approved agreement before the point of final royalty determination for 6 months; and
- (2) You notified MMS in writing within 30 days after the end of the 6-month period.

(f) You must file a Form MMS 4056 when your plant resumes processing gas that originated from a Federal onshore. OCS, or Indian lease, or federally approved agreement before the point of final royalty describination.

161 PR 38124, July 15, 19991

#### § 216.56 Production Allocation Schedule Report.

(a) Any operator of an offshore Facility Measurement Point (FMP) handling production from a Federal lease or federally-approved agreement that is commingled (with approval) with production from any other source prior to measurement for royalty determination must file a Production Allocation Schedule Report (Form MMS 4058). This report is not required whenever all of the following concitions are met:

- (1) All leases involved are Federal leases;
- (2) All leases have the same fixed royalty rate;
- (3) All leases are operated by the same operator:
- (4) The facility measurement device is operated by the same person as the leases/agreements:
- (5) Production has not been previously measured for royalty determination; and
- (6) The production is not subsequently commingled and measured for royalty determination at an FMP for which Form MMS-4088 is required under this part.
- (b) You must submit a Production Allocation Schedule Report, Form MMS-4058, for each calendar month beginning with the month in which you first handle production covered by this section.
- (c) MMS must receive your Form MMS-4058 according to the following table:

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II you submit your Form VMS-4054 .	We must receive your Form MMS-4058 by .
(1) Electronically	The 25th day of the second month following the month for which you are reporting.
(2) Other than electrorically .	The 15th day of the second menta following the month for which you are reporting

[58 PR 45255, Aux. 27, 1993, Eedesignated at 58 FR 61903, Dec. 11, 1993, as amended at 64 FR 38124 July 15, 1999]

#### § 216.57 Stripper royalty rate reduction notification.

In accordance with its regulations at 43 CFR 31034 1, titled "Waiver, suspension, or reduction of rental, royalty, or nibimum royalty," the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) may grant reduced regulty rates to operators of low producing oil leases to encourage continued production. Operators who have been granted a reduced royalty rate(s) by BLM must submit a Stripper Royalty Rate Reduction Notification (Form MMS-4377) to MMS for each 12-month qualifying period that a reduced royalty rate(s) is granted.

158 FR 64903, Dec. 10, 1993t

### Subpart C—Oil and Gas, Onshore [Reserved]

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## PART 217—AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS

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ABTHORUTY: 35 Stat. 312; 35 Stat. 781, as amended; secs. 32, 6, 26, 41 Srat. 459, 783, 1248; secs. 1, 2, 3, 44 Stat. 591, as amended; secs. 6, 3, 41 Stat. 592, as amended; secs. 6, 3, 41 Stat. 1957, 47 Stat. 1487, 49 Stat. 1482, 1251, 1967, 2026, 52 Stat. 347; sec. 10, 53 Stat. 1196, as amended; 56 Stat. 273; sec. 10, 61 Stat. 915; sec. 3, 63 Stat. 683; 64 Stat. 311; 25 U.S.C. 396, 396a, f. 30 U.S.C. 189, 271, 281, 293, 359, Interpret or apply secs. 5, 5, 44 Stat. 302, 1058, as amended 58 Stat. 484-485; 5 U.S.C. 301, 16 U.S.C. 5080, 30 U.S.C. 189, 192c. 271, 281, 293, 359, 43 U.S.C. 387, unless otherwise meted.

# Subpart A—General Provisions [Reserved]

## Subpart B—Oil and Gas, General

AUTHORITY: The Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 (30 U.S.C. 1701 of sea.)

SOURCE: 49 FR 37345, Sept. 21, 1984, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 217.50 Audits of records.

The Secretary, or his/her authorized representative, shall initiate and conduct audits relating to the scope, nature and extent of compliance by lessees, operators, revenue payors, and other persons with rental, royalty, net profit share and other payment requirements on a Federal or Indian oil and gas lease. Audits also will relate to compliance with applicable regulations and orders. All audits will be conducted in accordance with the notice and other requirements of 30 U.S.C. 1717.

#### §217.51 Lease account reconciliation.

Specific lease account reconciliations shall be performed with priority being given to reconciling those lease accounts specifically identified by a State or Indian tribe as having significant potential for underpayment.

#### §217.52 Definitions.

Terms used in this subpart shall have the same meaning as in 30 U.S.C. 1702.

### Subpart C—Oil and Gas, Onshore [Reserved]

### Subpart D—Oil, Gas and Sulfur, Offshore [Reserved]

### Subpart E-Coal

#### §217.200 Audits.

Ar audit of the accounts and books of operators/lessees for the purpose of determining compliance with Federal lease terms relating to Federal loyalties may be required annually or at other times as directed by the Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management. The audit shall be performed by a qualified independent certifiel public accountant or by an independent public accountant licensed by a State, territory, or insular possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and at the expense of the operator/lessee. The operator/lessee shall furnish, free of charge, duplicate copies of audit reports that express opinions on such compliance to the Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management within 30 days after the completion of each sudit. Where such andits are required, the Associate Director for Minerals Revenue Management, will specify the purpose and scope of the audit and the information which is to be verified or obtained.

[47 F3 33195, July 30, 1982, Redesignated at 48
FR 35641, Aug. 5, 1983, as amended at 67 FR 19112, Apr. 18, 2002.

### Subpart F-Other Solid Minerals

#### §217.250 Audits.

An audit of the lessee's accounts and books may be made annually or at such other times as may be directed by the mining supervisor, by certified public accountants, and at the expense of the lessee. The lessee shall furnish free of cost duplicate copies of such annual or other audits to the mining supervisor, within 30 days after the completion of each auditing.

437 FR 41041. June 1, 1972. Redesignated at 48 FR 35641. Aug. 5, 1983]

### Subpart G—Geothermal [Reserved]